

No. 7331

CORCORAN GALLERY OF ART FILES.

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Inys C Hedican
Residence Baltimore

Date Nov 9 C 12, 1891

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Answered

SUBJECT.

Relating To the
purchase of a bronze
for the Gallery.

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IMPORTERS OF
Paintings, Statuary, Engravings,
ETCHINGS, BRICK-A-BRAC,
AND OTHER
ARTICLES OF VERTU.

MYERS & MEDIAN,

MANUFACTURERS OF
ALL KINDS OF FINE GILT WORK

NO. 214 NORTH CHARLES STREET.

FINE ARTS.

Baltimore, Nov 12 1881.

Mr. L. I. Barbarelli

Dear Sir

In favor of the
11 First & last. Antiques & what. We went to
Mr. Dr. Quinn yesterday enclosing check for
\$20.⁰⁰ to pay for the Barge bronze. Please
thank him for his kindness. but tell him
to use the check. as we sold the bronze
him the day we received it. If you wish in
our letter that a duplicate of an original
by Barbarelli is better than the original,
we did not mean it, we only meant
that any work cast by Barbarelli
was of more value than ~~that~~ perhaps
by any other founder, as he is so hot for
his fine work. We knew Barge cast his
his own bronzes years ago. but thought
that long before his death. his works
were cast by Barbarelli, as all we have had

were cast by Barbours. We are sorry that the
purchasing by Woodrith did not phase
the partition enough to buy down. in
sum

Yours, L. M.
Myer Hedgcock

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Baltimore, Nov 9th 1891.
The Corcoran Gallery of Art

NOV 10 1891 and Nov 11/91

Washington, D. C.

Mr F. B. M. Quinn

Dear Sir:

Your letter of the 7th

int. to Lord, contents noted. The Bange bronze
has not as yet reached us. We do not
understand your remark: "It is only a
reproduction". It is the same as all
other works by Bange, and being cast
by Barbodine from Bange's original.
makes it more valuable than if cast
by a man of less reputation as a founder
than Barbodine. I will find this
bronze the same as those in the Corcoran
art gallery. They could not be called
reproductions. You might call them
duplicates. They are cast from the
original work by Bange. If you have sent
the bronze, we will credit you the \$2000
as soon as we receive the bronze. though

in a portrait to the effect of Major Sloan
that this bronze was sold. Still that will make
no difference, as we can readily sell it here.
in a man's

Very Truly Yours -
Myer Hedberg

As Mr. McQuinn intended this
bronze for our Gallery Collection

We have no Bronges in our gallery cast
by Bantecorini. ~~There~~ a "duplicate" of an
original according to your argument, is some
valuable than an original work, if cast by
a founder as well known as Bantecorini
are all other works by Bronges cast by some
one else. But we are not, + you will not find
a casting by Bantecorini or any one else, in
our Gallery Collection or in the Collection of Mr
Haltin of your City. Strange as it may appear
to you Bronges did his own casting of his own work.
~~that~~ only those are known as "Bronges Bronges"
Not a single piece admitted to the N.Y. Bronges
Exhibition, was cast by any one but Bronges,
If you have respect the sale to S. Exarchis
I will hold the check until you satisfy them
+ return it to you if they make any difficulty as
it was my money, in not examining the bronze before purchase

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CORCORAN GALLERY OF ART FILES.

WRITER.

Bowen Malone W.
Residence New York

Date Nov 11 1891

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Answered 11 14 10

SUBJECT.

Writer for a Catalogue
of the Gallery and
information about the
picture of Franklin

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ELBRIDGE T. GERRY, CHAIRMAN,
CLARENCE W. BOWEN, SECRETARY.

Office of the Secretary, 251 Broadway,
New York. November 11th, 1891.

Mr. Barbarin,
C/o Corcoran Gallery of Art,
Washington, D. C.

My Dear Sir:—

Will you kindly send me a catalogue of the Corcoran
Gallery of Art. If there is any charge, kindly let me know what
the price will be, that I may remit to you. Kindly tell me if you
have an original portrait of Benjamin Franklin by Duplessis, or
any other portraits or copies of Franklin portraits.

Very truly yours,

Clarence W. Bowen

Secretary.

The Corcoran Gallery of Art

NOV 14 1891

Washington, D. C.

Answer & Catalogue Sent

Nov 14. 1891

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WRITER.

Nough, Walter,
Residence.....

Date..... Apr 13, 1891.....

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Answered.....

SUBJECT.

About ventilation of
Life class room

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The Corcoran Gallery of Art

COSMOS CLUB,
WASHINGTON, D.C.

NOV 14 1891

Washington, D. C.

Day Class noticed tobacco
smoke (so dear to the heart of,
in fact, a sine qua non to
the artist) and demanded
their air as they had left
it.

The building is
admirably planned for ventilation,
the only trouble is the neglect
of the means and at least the
rooms should be thoroughly aired
between and after the classes leave
them.

Please don't think this
officious, I only want to
mention the matter to you, knowing
that you will be glad to do
everything for the convenience and
safety of the classes.

Believe me my dear Sir,

Very sincerely yours

Walter Hough.

Nov. 13, 1891

Dear Doctor Barbarin;

I want to
have a chat with you in regard
to ventilation of the Life
Class studio. Paradoxical as
it may sound the air of
that room is likely to be
the death of the Life Class.
A prominent humorist has de-
fined a Pullman Car as "floating
reservoir of last years breath";
it seems to me that this
describes it if one superadds
a reckless amount of turpentine
and promiscuous paint to the
compound. No wonder the

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CORCORAN GALLERY OF ART FILES.

WRITER.

Keyward Julius A.

Residence Greenville

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Date Nov 14. 1891,

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Answered

SUBJECT.

Marble bust of
Washington by Ceracchi
for sale.

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Perry & Heyward, 137

Attorneys at Law,

Greenville, S. C., November 14th 1891-

The Corcoran Gallery of Art
NOV 18 1891
Washington, D. C. *Ans. 10/21*

To the Committee
Corcoran Gallery of Art
Washington D. C.
Gentlemen,

While on a visit to Washington, a few weeks since, I had a conversation, with the Superintendent, or gentleman in charge, of the Corcoran Gallery, relative to the sale, of the white marble bust of Washington (heroic size,) by Beracchi, which is now the property of the heirs of the late Williams Middleton, and can be seen at his late residence, Middleton Place, on the Ashley River, in this State.

I enclose you, with this letter, a photograph of the bust, which I think will convey to you, an idea of its appearance, but which in my opinion, is by no means, a fair representation of the beauty of the original.

You will find a notice of the bust, in Miss Elizabeth Bryant Johnston's book, entitled "Original Portraits of Washington," a copy of which I saw at your Gallery.

I should be glad to hear, at your earliest

vs.

Perry & Heyward,
Attorneys at Law,

Greenville, S. C., 18

convenience, whether you would like to purchase the
buck, and if so, what you would be willing to give
for it.

Respectfully yours
Julius H. Heyward.

No. 7335

CORCORAN GALLERY OF ART FILES.

WRITER.

Battle P. A.

Residence Jericho Vt.

Date Apr. 18. 1891

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Answered Apr 20. 1891

SUBJECT.

Wash's photo' of Venus
by Praxiteles.

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The Corcoran Gallery of Art

NOV 20 1891 B and,

Washington, D. C.

Jericho Vt.

Nov. 18th 1891.

Gentlemen:-

Have you large
Photographs of Praxiteles'
"Venus" which was in the
Temple at Cnidus? Size
and price. It was not veiled.

Yours &c

J. A. Castle

The Corcoran Gallery
of Art.

Washington, D.C.

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Nov. 26/1891-

Re: Exhibitions

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Leaven (Seine 2 tier)

November 26th 1891.

My dear Sir

I feel it would be very wrong of me not to answer the questions in your kind letter although I am not very competent on the matter, as I never organized any Exhibitions.

I have seen of course a great number of them and the remarks included

are personal observations,
and knowledge acquired
in this special way.

If you think that some
of my remarks may suggest
an idea to the board,
I shall consider myself
very happy.

Thanking you again for
your courtesy to me believe
me my dear Sir

Yours truly

L. Chialini

No. 7336

CORCORAN GALLERY OF ART FILES.

WRITER.

Bowen Clarence W.

Residence 251 Broadway
New York

Date Nov 19. 1891

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Answered Nov 20 "

SUBJECT.

Wishes negatives made,
Gives certain data about
James Madison by Sully,

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3046 W. St En

Kindly send negative Madison by Sully Wealys
copy of Hardings Madison and Duplesses portrait
Franklin. Did your Duplesses belong to Henry
Stevens London Clarence W. Bowen

Secy. 251 Broadway New York

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Curator Barbarin,

Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:—

I have just sent you the following telegram:

"Kindly send negative Madison by Sully, Healy's copy of
Harding's Madison, and Duplessis portrait Franklin. Did your
Duplessis belong to Henry Stevens, London?"

I trust that before you receive this the negatives will have been
forwarded to me for reproduction in the Memorial Volume on the
Centennial of Washington's Inauguration.

Yours very truly,

Clarence W. Bowen

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Washington, D. C.

*Office of the Secretary, 251 Broadway,
New York. November 19th, 1891.*

F. Sinclair Barbarin, Esq.,
Curator Corcoran Gallery of Art,
Washington, D. C.

My Dear Sir:--

I wish to express the sincere thanks of our Committee for the Catalogue of the Corcoran Gallery of Art which you have sent me. I have got some very valuable information from this catalogue. I have been looking all over the country for the portraits of James Madison by Sully and Chester Harding, and am glad that you have got the one by Sully. I wish to write you on the following points:

1. Will you kindly ask Rice Brothers, Photographers, to photograph immediately the portrait of James Madison by Thomas Sully. I have learned from Miss Sully, the aged daughter of the artist, who has her father's Journal, that Sully finished the portrait of Madison on April 6th, 1809. This is information I thought you would be glad to get. Will you kindly tell me what year Frederick E. Church gave this Sully portrait of Madison to the Corcoran Gallery of Art, and can you give me any further information regarding this portrait, and how Church came into the possession of it. I shall be very glad to get full information regarding this Sully portrait of Madison as soon as possible. My book is nearly ready, and the pictures are all printed, but I can get a few more in, if I get the negatives at once, and I trust it may be

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Washington, D. C.

F. S. B.

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your pleasure to kindly have this negative sent me as soon as possible.

2. I would also like a negative of the portrait of James Madison by Harding, which was copied by G. P. A. Healy. Can you send me Mr. Healy's address, that I may write him and ask him where the original Harding portrait of Madison is, and where he copied the same. But to save time, I would like to have a photograph of the copy of the Harding Madison. I send you a blue print from a portrait of Madison belonging to the Washington & Lee University of Lexington, Va., which I think may have been painted by Harding. If it is like Healy's copy, will you kindly endorse the same on the back of the blue print, and return the same to me. But whether it is the same picture or not, I would like a negative of Healy's copy which you have.

3. Will you kindly ask the photographer to also photograph the portrait of Benjamin Franklin, by Duplessis. Is this the portrait belonging to the late Henry Stevens, of London, regarding which B. F. Stevens has written me. He writes that the portrait by Duplessis which belonged to his late brother, is now in the Corcoran Gallery of Art. Have you two pictures by Duplessis, one No. 216, which you say was painted in Paris in 1782, and the other the portrait belonging to the late Henry Stevens? May I ask how you know that this particular portrait which you have, No. 216, was painted in Paris in 1782. Can you give me any information or history regarding this particular portrait of Franklin which you have. I have photographs of three or four other portraits of Franklin by Duplessis.

4. Can you tell me who painted the original portrait of Monroe, a copy of which by Healy is owned by the Corcoran Gallery of Art? Is this the Gilbert Stuart portrait of Monroe, or is it from a portrait of Monroe which Chester Harding is said to have painted? If it is a copy of the Harding portrait, I would like to have the photographer make a photograph of the same. If, however, it is the ordinary copy of the Syuart portrait, I do not care for it. I have not been able to find the original portrait of Monroe by Chester Harding. If you will kindly see personally that this request regarding negatives, which our Committee take the liberty of making of you, is promptly complied with, I shall be under many obligations to you. I heartily appreciate all your kindness.

Very truly yours,

Clarna W. Brown

Secretary.

(A)

No. 7337

CORCORAN GALLERY OF ART FILES.

WRITER.

Barnsley Geo. S. M.D.,
Residence (Woodlands) Hales
Moile P. O. Barton Co. Ga.

Date Nov. 15, 1891.

Rec'd Nov 21 "

Ack'g'd

Answered Nov 21, 1891.

SUBJECT.

An old painting by
"Luigi" for sale.

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SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION.

Washington, U.S.A.

November 19th, 1891.

My dear Doctor Welling:

I inclose herewith a copy of a letter from a gentleman in Georgia accompanied by a photograph of a painting which he desires to sell. Possibly it may be of interest to the Corcoran Art Gallery.

Very sincerely yours,

S. P. Langley

Secretary.

Dr. James C. Welling,

President of the Corcoran Gallery of Art,

Washington, D. C.

(COPY)

The Corcoran Gallery of Art

NOV 21 1891 *8 ans*

Washington, D. C.

(Woodlands), Halls Mill P.O.,

Bartow Co., Ga.,

Nov. 15th 1891.

To the Secretary of the
Smithsonian Institute,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

I shall be under many obligations if you will kindly, at your earliest convenience, give me an idea of the value of a painting, a photograph of which is herewith sent.

The painting is very old, on canvas, oil colors, and well preserved measuring 6 by 4 feet, with simple gilt frame. The painter's name could never be distinctly made out, but appears to read "Luigi". It has been in our family for over a half century. It was purchased in Savannah, Georgia; and found in a kind of pawn shop. It is said to have been brought to Savannah by the French emigrants from the revolution in San Domingo, whose ancestors brought it from France at the truce of the massacre of St. Bartholemew. Distinguished critics who have examined this oil painting, on visits to this plantation, have pronounced it a work of great art and a master piece.

The coloring is beautiful. My father, who purchased^[sic] was once a very wealthy banker and merchant, residing in Savannah. He purchased this estate for a summer residence in 1840, and after removal from Savannah to New Orleans this painting was brought here. Though our houses were sacked by the Federals under Sherman, this painting was uninjured - Our family lost nearly a million of dollars by the "unpleasantness", and since never has recuperated. A division of this estate is asked by the heirs, who are scattered all over the world, and this painting has to be sold. It is our earnest desire that it pass into hands who can appreciate its beauty and worth. We are ignorant of its true value. If it is one which is desired by the Art gallery of the Institute, you, perhaps, can give a proximate guess at the value; of course personal examination is necessary. We would be pleased to receive any one sent for that purpose.

In the country it is difficult to find out the name of the proper person of the Institute to whom we should direct ourselves, so I trust that you will overlook this defect in this letter.

I remain, very respectfully,

(Signed) Geo. S. Barnsley, M.D.



J. W. Lancaster, ROME, GA.

No. 7338

CORCORAN GALLERY OF ART FILES.

WRITER.

King Charles
Residence Florence Ala

Date Nov 19, 1891

Rec'd " 21 "

Ack'g'd

Answered Catalogue sent with
postal Nov 21, 1891

SUBJECT.

For a Catalogue.

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Florence, Ala. Nov. 9, 1891
 The Corcoran Gallery of Art
 NOV 21 1891
 Washington, D. C.
 Catalogue sent.

Gentlemen -

Enclosed please find
 Twenty Seven Cents, Twenty Five cents for
 a catalogue of your gallery and Two
 cents for postage on same. Send to my
 address.

Yours truly
 Charles King

No. 7339

CORCORAN GALLERY OF ART FILES.

WRITER.

French H. M.

Residence Art Institute

Chicago.

Date Nov 19. ²³ 1891.

Rec'd " 21 ²⁵ 6.

Ack'g'd

Answered " 21 "

SUBJECT.

Asks for photographs
of Barye Bronzes.

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NOV 25 1891

Washington, D. C.

Chicago, November 23, 1891

Mr F.J.Barbarin

Curator , Corcoran Gallery

Dear Sir

Accept our hearty thanks for your letter of
November 21, and the three photographs of Barye and his works -
Although not as numerous as I hoped, they will be of service for
use in the stereopticon, and we shall be glad to possess them in
our library -

Yours very truly

Wm. R. French

Director



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Chicago, Nov. 19, 1891

Curator Corcoran Gallery
Washington, D.C.

My dear Sir =

May I ask you to
do me a favor. Namely,
to cause to be sent to the
Art Institute (with the bill)
some good photographs of
the sculptured works of Barye

Since I do not know ex-
actly what photographs
there are, I shall have to
leave the selection of the sub-
jects to you. Let us
have ten or twelve, of some-
what striking subjects, suit-
able to be reproduced for



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The stereofiticon - By the kindness of your Museum we already possess a certain number, which we do not wish duplicated unless in a larger size - I append a list of those we already have.

We will pay all expenses with pleasure.

They are wanted to accompany the lecture of Mr. Larned, of which I enclose the slip -

Yours very truly
W. M. R. French -

THE ART INSTITUTE
The Corcoran Gallery of Art
OF CHICAGO.

NOV 21 1891

Washington, D. C. 189

Photographs after
Barye's works already
possessed by the Art
Institute. (Gifts of the Cor-
coran Gallery)

On slits 12" x 16"

→ 1. Theseus slaying the Centaur
X -

On slits 7" x 10"

- 1. Horse & Lion
- 2. Scottish Horns & Deer
- 3. Theseus & Minotaur
- 4. Roger & Angelique
- 5. Jaguar & Hare
- 6. Bear & Dog

There we do not wish to dupli-
cate, unless in larger size -

No. 7340

CORCORAN GALLERY OF ART FILES.

WRITER.

Bowen C. W.

Residence 251 Broadway,
New York.

Date Nov 21, Dec 3 1891

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SUBJECT.

About photos made for
him in the gallery.

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Heartiest Thanks Kindly have
Photographer photograph Healy Monroe
Most anxious for negatives

Clarence W Bowen

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DEC 4 1891

Washington, D. C.

251 Broadway,

New York, December 3rd, 1891.

F. S. Barbarin, Esq.,

Curator Corcoran Gallery of Art,

Washington, D.C.

My Dear Sir:-

I am glad to get your letter of November 30th, and wish to express again my sincere thanks to you. I wanted to know definitely from you that the bust portrait was Healy's copy after Harding, and the cabinet full length was the Sully. If the photographer had marked these two negatives, it would have saved both of us considerable trouble.

I appreciate all your help to our Committee.

Very truly yours,

Clarence M. Bowen

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F. S. Barbarin, Esq.,
Curator Corcoran Gallery of Art,
Washington, D. C.

My Dear Sir:--

Accept my sincere thanks for your letter of November 26th. I am exceedingly obliged to you. As I understand it, the full length of Madison is the portrait by Sully, and the bust of Madison that you sent is Healy's copy of the Harding portrait. I have got from Mr. Avery Mr. Church's address, and will write Mr. Church.

With the sincere thanks of our Committee to you, believe me,

Very truly yours,

Clarence W. Bowen

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Will you kindly tell me whether the full length portrait of Madison at the Corcoran Gallery of Art is the one that Healy copied? I asked for negatives of Madison by Sully and Healy's copy of James Madison by Harding. The photographer did not mark the negatives and I therefore write. This full length Madison looks like a copy of the Stuart portrait. Kindly tell me in two or three words which the Madison by Sully is so that I will know which the negative of this portrait is, and oblige,

Very truly yours,

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My Dear Sir:-

Will you kindly tell me what day the negatives from the portraits of Madison by Sully and Healy's copy of Madison by Harding and the one, or if you have them, two, portraits of Franklin by Duplessis, will be sent to me. Please telegraph at my expense, stating when I will get the negatives. I have just found the Paris address of the artist Healy, and have cabled him to ask him ~~what~~ where the original portrait of Madison is that he copied. Perhaps, though, you will be able to tell me when Healy copied Harding's Madison for the Corcoran Gallery of Art, and will give me such information as will lead me to find where the original Madison is.

Very truly yours,

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